

**Committee Room.**

Austin, Texas, April 27, 1897.

**Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.****Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared**

Senate bill No. 133, entitled "An act to define and prescribe the time for holding terms of the Courts of Civil Appeals in the State of Texas,"

**And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 4:45 p. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.****ROGERS, Chairman.**

Senator Dibrell moved that the Senate adjourn to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

Senator Harrison moved that the Senate adjourn to 10 a. m., Friday morning.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Beall.	Lewis.
Bowser.	Morriss.
Burns.	Presler.
Harrison.	Tillett.
Kerr.	Wayland.

Nays—12.

Bailey.	Neal.
Colquitt.	Rogers.
Dibrell.	Ross.
Goss.	Terrell.
Greer.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.

Absent.

Atlee.	Gough.
Boren.	Stafford.
Darwin.	

Excused.

Turney.	Linn of Wharton.
Stone.	Yett.

The Senate then adjourned to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

**EIGHTY-SECOND DAY.**

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Tex., Wednesday, April 28.

**Senate met pursuant to adjournment.**

Lieutenant-Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called. No quorum, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	Harrison.
Burns.	Lewis.
Darwin.	Linn of Victoria.
Dibrell.	Neal.
Goss.	Rogers.

Ross.
Tillett.
Turney.
Wayland.

Woods.
Yantis.
Yett.

Absent.

Bailey.	Kerr.
Beall.	Morriss.
Boren.	Presler.
Bowser.	Stafford.
Colquitt.	Stone.
Gough.	Terrell.
Greer.	

Excused.

Linn of Wharton.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. F. S. Jackson, as follows:

Almighty God: Accept the gratitude of our hearts for the many favors we have received at Thy hands. We plead our shortcomings, mistakes and imperfections. We realize our helplessness to change our sinful souls to righteousness and be able to shun the fens and quicksands of sin in the future. Do Thou forgive us, and reinstate us in Thy favor, and by Thy grace lead us in the paths of peace and righteousness. Guide us to-day in all we do, for Christ's sake. Amen.

On motion of Senator Linn of Victoria, the Senate adjourned to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

**EIGHTY-THIRD DAY.**

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Tex., Thursday, April 29.

**The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.**

Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called.

No quorum, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	Rogers.
Burns.	Ross.
Dibrell.	Tillett.
Goss.	Turney.
Harrison.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Neal.	Yett.
Presler.	

Absent.

Bailey.	Gough.
Beall.	Greer.
Boren.	Kerr.
Bowser.	Stafford.
Colquitt.	Stone.
Darwin.	Terrell.

Excused.

Linn of Wharton. Morriss.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. F. S. Jackson, as follows:

Almighty God: Help us to pray. The many pressing interests, the cares of life and the deceitfulness of all things occupy our minds mostly, and we are prone to forget Thee and neglect our souls. May we remember that character and will survive the perils of time and outlive the stars, and when once scarred will be scarred forever. Oh, may all our thoughts, words and actions be influenced by these truths. We pray Thy kindest blessings upon all who are suffering from calamity. Comfort and heal the wounded and bleeding heart, give relief to the suffering body, and restore through Thy providence the ruined homes and depleted property of the unfortunate. Bless us to-day, we ask for Christ's sake. Amen.

On motion of Senator Wayland, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to wire the absent unexcused Senators to return for to-morrow's session.

Senator Gough moved that the Senate adjourn to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

Senator Yantis moved that the Senate adjourn to 3 p. m. to-day.

The Senate adjourned to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

#### EIGHTY-FOURTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Tex., Friday, April 30.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	Morriss.
Bailey.	Neal.
Boren.	Presler.
Bowser.	Rogers.
Burns.	Ross.
Colquitt.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Goss.	Tillett.
Gough.	Turney.
Harrison.	Wayland.
Kerr.	Woods.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn of Victoria.	Yett.

Absent.

Beall.	Greer.
Darwin.	Stafford.

Excused.

Linn of Wharton.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. F. S. Jackson, as follows:

Almighty God: We thank Thee for the night, with its quietude, beds of rest, and refreshing sleep. We thank Thee for this beautiful day with its sunshine and bracing atmosphere. Qualify us for all our duties and temptations to-day. Give us the grace of patience, the warmth of love, and the strength of faith, that we may with fidelity and heroism meet every obligation we have assumed. Do Thou forgive our sins, cleanse our thoughts, and make keen and sensitive our consciences. Let Thy fatherly protection and benedictions be upon our homes. We pray for Christ's sake. Amen.

Pending reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Neal, the same was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Harrison,

Senator Darwin was excused for absence on yesterday and up to and including next Monday, on account of sickness in his family.

On motion of Senator Wayland,

Senator Colquitt was excused for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, on account of business.

On motion of Senator Woods,

Senator Terrell was excused for Tuesday and Wednesday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Burns,

Senator Morriss was excused for Wednesday and Thursday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Morriss,

Senator Kerr was excused for Wednesday and Thursday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Ross,

Senator Atlee was excused for absence on Tuesday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Ross,

Senator Bowser was excused for absence on Wednesday and Thursday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Tillett,

Senator Stone was excused for absence on Wednesday and Thursday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Linn of Victoria, all absentees on Wednesday and Thursday and to-day were excused.

On motion of Senator Neal,

Senator Stafford was excused for absence last week and this week, on account of important business.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Presler:

Memorial of the Erath County Grange, asking for the passage of the Senate text-book bill.